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I understand I have the opportunity to comment about the way LPFM may affect current FM stations and FM translators.

From what I can read about LPFM it sounds like it has promise for certain applications. I have concerns though that the way it will be authorized and implement may jeopardize current FM stations particularly those that make extensive use of FM translators. I refer particularly to the "K-LOVE" radio network but there are others of religious, educational or public interest formats that might be affected as well. I am very much opposed to changes that would curtail or eliminate current implementations such as "K-LOVE".

My concern comes primarily from the "value proposition" point of view in that in a society where there is so very much information dispensed that is of a negative or somber nature there needs to be those sources of positive and up building themes to maintain as much balance as possible.

In respect to the affect that K-LOVE has on my particular case I will offer a few comments.

I like most others; get my share of broadcast news and information that relates to national and local topics and issues. In these times, much of this information is what I would characterize as "heavy", sobering and often discouraging. Much of this information typically does not offer much help in the way of up building counters to the heavy information. K-LOVE and formats like it provide a positive and up building source of information and inspiration for me to maintain a good balance in day-to-day living. I would argue it is crucial in helping people maintain a good perspective and thereby help to maintain good order.

If LPFM is authorized in a way that excludes or curtails formats such as K-LOVE, I feel we, as a society would be losing an important source of information and inspiration to help maintain a healthy citizenry.

Regards, Derek Settlemoir